MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF JANUARY 8TH, 1935.

The Board of Public Works met in the offices of the Governor, Annapolis, Maryland, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1935.

Present:

Albert C. Ritchie, Governor. Wm. S. Gordy, Jr., Comptroller. John M. Dennis, Treasurer.

Mr. R. Bennett Darnall, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Maryland Tercentenary Commission, presented to the Board the following letter -

MARYLAND TERCENTENARY COMMISSION

January 8th, 1935.

The Honorable Albert C. Ritchie, Governor of Maryland, Annapolis, Maryland.

My dear Governor:-

With reference to the action which we desire the Board of Public Works to take with regard to the James Goddard property at St. Mary's City known generally as the Lilburn Lot, is as follows.

This lot was purchased from Goddard for \$2800. of which amount \$1000. was to be paid by the State Roads Commission, \$1200. to be paid by St. Mary's Seminary, and the balance of \$600. to be paid by The Tercentenary Commission.

I understand Coddard has not been paid any portion of the purchase price, because the Board of Public Works have never approved the payment of \$1200. by the Seminary.

The Tercentenary Commission finds itself short of funds with which to pay the \$600. and the Seminary has agreed to pay same provided they take title to the entire lot as shown on a plat of the State Roads Commission herewith attached, designated in green and red, and the St. Mary's Seminary has further agreed to grant to the Tercentenary Commission a ninety-nine year lease for the portion shown

on said plat in red, where the Freedom of Conscience monument will be erected, or, such agreement on the part of the St. Mary's Seminary, as the Board of Public Works. may decide is proper to protect the use of said lot by the Tercentenary Commission for the erection of the monument.

The details of which are referred to in a letter of January 7th, 1935, addressed to me, from Mr. John B. Gray, Attorney for the State Roads Commission, a letter, to me, from Senator Allan Coad of January 5th, a resolution of the Board of Trustees of St. Mary's Seminary, and a description of the two lots, and the above referred to plat.

Very respectfully,

/s/ R. Bennett Darnall

RBD: CMW

Chairman of Executive Committee.

The proposition outlined in Mr. Dernall's letter was acceptable to the Board, and it was duly approved. The other papers submitted with Mr. Darnall's letter were ordered to be filed in the records of the Board of Public Works.

The Covernor took up with the Board the question of a deficit in item no. 13 of the Covernor's Budget, for the fiscal year ending September 30th, 1935. This item covers the allowance for publication of Constitutional Amendments, Proclamations, Pardons, etc. It was agreed \$3,110.22 should be transferred from the Emergency Reserve Fund to the Governor's budget item no. 13 to off-set an overdraft of that amount in the said Budget.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Joseph Demchusker
Secretary.